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TAGS: PFOR, BB

SUBJ: REACTIONS TO PRESIDENT'S FOREIGN POLICY ADDRESS

REF: STATE 086289

1. WE HAVE NEITHER HEARD NOR SEEN ANY COMMENTS IN BARBADOS TO PRESIDENT'S FOREIGN POLICY ADDRESS. LACK OF REACTION UNDOUBTEDLY REFLECTS LACK OF LOCAL INTEREST IN EVENTS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA GENERALLY. BARBADIANS, ESSENTIALLY AN INWARD-LOOKING PEOPLE, ARE INTERESTED IN THE OUTSIDE WORLD ONLY TO A LIMITED EXTENT, WITH SUCH ATTENTION AS IS GIVEN FOREIGN AFFAIRS BEING CONCENTRATED ON THEIR WEST INDIAN NEIGHBORS, US, UK, CANADA, AND, TO A MUCH LESSER DEGREE, LATIN AMERICA AND AFRICA.

2. IMPACT OF EVENTS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA ON BARBADIAN PERCEPTIONS OF US AND US POLICY IN LATIN AMERICA LIKELY TO BE LIMITED. MOST BARBADIANS CARE NOT AT ALL WHO GOVERNS IN SAIGON OR PHNOM PENH AND HAVE BEEN SOMEWHAT PUZZLED BY EXTENT TO WHICH US CARES. SINCE THEY DO NOT FEEL THREATENED, QUESTION OF WHETHER OR NOT US IS A RELIABLE ALLY DOES NOT ARISE. SOME FEW WOULD NO DOUBT WELCOME LOSS OF VIETNAM AND CAMBODIA TO COMMUNISTS AS JUST COME-UPPANCE FOR US. OTHERS WOULD FIND LOSS A POSITIVE DEVELOPMENT IF IT MEANT THAT, AS A CONSEQUENCE, US ATTENTION WERE TO BE FOCUSSED TO A GREATER DEGREE ON AREAS CLOSER TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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